

## Conecuh National Forest PUBLIC NOTICE

## **Prescribed Burn**

(Andalusia, AL) January 30, 2024---- USDA Forest Service federal fire management specialists are planning to conduct a prescribed burn (controlled burn) on 1020 acres today. The burn is one mile south of Pleasant Home School.

Prescribed burns are low-intensity fires ignited by trained personnel to remove excess fuels, such as vegetation and dead wood, which would enable wildfires to burn hotter and longer.

During today's prescribed burn the public may notice Forest Service fire crews and equipment. Smoke may also be visible from Hwy 29, and Hwy 137. The wind is expected to be out of the northwest and carry smoke to the southeast.

Some settling may occur around the general area of the burn. If encountering smoke on roadways, please slow down, turn on your lowbeam headlights and use caution when encountering prescribed burning operations and smoke.

Prescribed fire plays a significant role in the health of forest ecosystems. Applying prescribed fire on the land at the right place, at the right time, under the right conditions benefits the land and the surrounding communities.

For more information, contact the Conecuh Ranger District at (334) 222-2555. Or visit <a href="www.fs.usda.gov/alabama">www.fs.usda.gov/alabama</a>